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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE PCT NATIONAL STAGE APPLICATION OF

BETZ ET AL.

INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO: PCT/EP03/07346

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U.S. APPLICATION NO: 10/520,570

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FOR: LIQUID FORMULATIONS WITH HIGH CONCENTRATION OF

HUMAN GROWTH HORMONE (HGH) COMPRISING GLYCINE

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Commissioner for Patents

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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

The Notification of Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. 371 of August 2, 2005, has a shortened statutory time set to expire on October 2, 2005. A three-month extension is hereby requested pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a).

Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis in the amount of \$1020 for payment of the extension fee. An additional copy of this paper is here enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR §1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis.

Respectfully submitted,

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